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For: **Mutant DNA Polymerases and Uses
Thereof**

Reply Under 37 C.F.R. §§ 1.111 and 1.121

Commissioner for Patents
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Sir:

In reply to the Office Action dated April 22, 2003 (Paper No. 17), Applicant submits the following remarks. In accordance with 37 C.F.R. § 1.121, this Reply is provided in the following format:

- (A) Each section begins on a separate sheet;
- (B) Starting on a separate sheet, a complete listing of all the claims:
 - in ascending order;
 - with status identifiers; and
 - with markings in the currently amended claims; and
- (C) Starting on a separate sheet, the Remarks.

It is not believed that extensions of time or fees for net addition of claims are required beyond those that may otherwise be provided for in documents accompanying this paper. However, if additional extensions of time are necessary to prevent abandonment of this application, then such extensions of time are hereby petitioned under 37 C.F.R. § 1.136(a), and any fees

required therefor (including fees for net addition of claims) are hereby authorized to be charged to our Deposit Account No. 19-0036.